

# **INFORMATION BULLETIN**

**TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**

**FROM: California State Fire Marshal**

This is to advise you that the provisions of Assembly Bill 747 (Ch. 333, statutes of 1995) regarding the weathering requirements of wood roofing materials went into effect August 4, 1995 ([Health & Safety Code 13132.7](#)).

Under these provisions **ALL WOOD ROOFING MATERIALS** must have passed at least one year of the 10-year natural weathering test prescribed in Uniform Building Code (UBC) Standard No. 15-2 by January 1, 1997 in order to be sold in California. Any wood roofing materials which have not complied with these provisions are in violation of state law and are not permitted to be sold in California. Failure to enforce these requirements could lead to legal liability and severe penalties.

Other provisions of AB 747 require wood roofing materials to comply with additional natural weathering requirements in 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 until five years of the 10-year weathering test has been completed.

I ask that you share this information with other enforcement officials, homeowners, roofers, contractors, and suppliers in order to ensure that the provisions of this law are properly adhered to.

I have also enclosed a copy of [Section 13132.7](#) of the California Health and Safety Code for your information.

If you have any question or require further clarification of this issue, please contact Fire Engineering at (916) 445-8200.